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For: OUTPUT MANAGEMENT METHOD AND INFORMATION PROCESSING APPAR AT US	; ) ;	August 20, 2003		

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## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

A concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is given in the attached English abstracts and on pages 2, 19, and 20 of the specification. Also, please note that U.S. Patent No. 6,115,132 is in the same patent family as JP 10-240480.

The present application was filed after June 30,2003, and in accordance with the Pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003, copies of the published U.S. patent documents are not enclosed but will be gladly furnished if so requested.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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